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EXPERIENCE

Industrial Design Intern | UIC School of Engineering

Hybrid | Chicago, IL

// Feb 2025 - Apr 2025

- Collaborated with electrical and computer engineering students to create components for senior capstone project.
- Executed rounds of physical prototyping, utilizing 3D printing for design refinements.
- Developed presentation of concepts and components to the team for the UIC Engineering EXPO.

Nortier Restoration | Furniture & Photo Restoration

Entrepreneur | Westchester, IL

// Jul 2017 - Present

- Founded an independent business focused on restoring vintage furniture and photographs, giving neglected pieces new life.
- Researched original finishes and construction to guide decisions, balancing accuracy with each client's vision.
- Used Photoshop for digital photo restoration, preserving original character of images that hold extensive personal value for clients.

Wayback Burgers | Senior Shift Supervisor

In-Person | Darien, IL

// Aug 2022 - Oct 2025

- Supported daily operations in a fast-paced environment, helping maintain a positive experience for customers and a supportive team environment.
- Trained new employees and helped keep daily operations running efficiently during peak demand.

PROJECTS

Interdisciplinary Design Research Studios

// Aug 2025 - May 2026

- Conducted interviews, surveys, and field research to understand first-generation student experiences and phone use in gym environments.
- Worked across disciplines to synthesize research into key insights into opportunity areas.
- Developed and presented research-driven proposals to stakeholders and the UIC Provost's Office.
- Translated research into design opportunities through concept development and collaboration.

X-TRACT | Dyson™ Collaboration

// Jan 2024 - Mar 2024

- Developed physical prototypes and renderings for a consumer product concept in collaboration with Dyson engineers, incorporating feedback through multiple design iterations.
- Presented the final design to stakeholders, commended for process and visual communication.

EDUCATION

BDES Industrial Design

University of Illinois Chicago (UIC)

// Aug 2022 - May 2026

- Summa Cum Laude | GPA 3.91 / 4.0 | Dean's List (All Semesters) | IDSA

SKILLS

Design: Sketching, Product Design, User Research, Ideation, Prototyping, Visualization, Collaboration, Adaptability

Software: Rhino 7, SolidWorks, KeyShot, Adobe CC Suite, Sketchbook Pro, 3D Printing

HONORS

IDSA Student Merit Award Finalist

- Selected as the University of Illinois Chicago's undergraduate representative for the IDSA Student Merit Award.